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Romney, Clinton stump in suddenly 'swing' state of Pa.

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Who decides our next president? Rich people

That's according to a new report that found 91 people are responsible for 60 percent of money raised by super PACs Those new political action groups have spent $1.1 billion on 2012 presidential campaigns

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▶ Big donors are pumping millions in personal wealth into the campaigns through Super PACs.

The name Sheldon Adelson hasn't been widely discussed during the presidential campaign, but the casino magnate — who comes in two spots below New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg on the 2011 Forbes 400 list, ranking him the 12th wealthiest American — has been the largest single Super PAC donor during this election cycle, according to a new report on campaign finance.

Adelson donated $52.2 million to pro-Romney Super PACs, an amount that, while staggering, is only .21 percent of his total net worth, the report by consumer advocacy group PennPIRG and liberal think tank Demos found. More than 322,000 average American families would need to donate the equivalent share of their wealth in order to match his contributions.

Adelson is not the only person whose deep pockets have extended his political reach far beyond that of the average citizen. In fact, PennPIRG's report found that in the wake of 2010's Citizens United decision, in which the Supreme Court ruled that corporations and unions can make unlimited campaign expenditures, the amount raised by outside spending organizations has skyrocketed 400 percent since the 2008 election to reach a total of $1.11 billion between both campaigns.

Almost half of that money — $542.8 million — came from Super PACs, whose creation were enabled by the Citizens United decision.

Quoted

"Big donors and secret spenders have been drowning out the rest of our voices for months."

STUDY AUTHOR ANGELA LEE OF PENNPIRG

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68%
Super PAC contributions from individuals, with 1,900 donors responsible for 97 percent of funds

12%
Super PAC funding from corporations, the second largest source of money

6%
Super PAC funding from unions, the fourth largest source

'Dark money' seeps into system

Federal Election Commission data only tells part of the story, according to PennPIRG.

Loopholes enable some organizations to avoid reporting communications that are still intended to influence the election's outcome, the group said.

A whopping $257.9 million of outside spending on this year's election — or 23 percent — comes from what the report calls "dark money" that can't be traced back to an original source because the group responsible is not required to disclose its donors.

"Americans across the political spectrum have long held transparency in campaign funding to be crucial," Lee said. "When citizens can't follow the money, voters can't judge the credibility of political communications and corporations and other special interests can fund misleading advertisements while evading accountability." METRO/AW

Romney last night, Bill Clinton today

The report comes as Pennsylvania is once again being discussed as a battleground state. Though Obama previously had a comfortable five-point lead, Susquehanna Polling & Research numbers released Saturday by the Pittsburgh Tribune-Review put him neck-and-neck with Mitt Romney, with each candidate receiving 47 percent of voters.

Romney running mate Paul Ryan stopped in Harrisburg, Pa. on Saturday, appearing before a crowd of 2,000 people an airport hangar, where he was welcomed by Gov. Tom Corbett, former Gov. Tom Ridge and Sen. Pat Toomey. Romney yesterday evening made an appearance in Bucks County, holding what his campaign called a "PA Victory Event" in Morrisville.

The campaign is hoping to capitalize on Obama's possibly declining approval rating in the suburbs, where historically high voter turnout combined with the lack of an early voting option means there are still plenty of minds that could potentially be swayed.

The Obama campaign has dispatched former President Bill Clinton, who will be preaching economic policy targeted at middle-class families today at rallies in Pittsburgh, Blue Bell, Philadelphia and Scranton. METRO/AW

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▶ Romney, in Ohio yesterday morning, spoke at Shady Brook Farms in Morrisville.

In the news

Boy shoots self

A 10-year-old boy accidentally shot himself in the hand yesterday afternoon at the Christy Recreation Center playground near 56th and Christian streets. Police said the child was apparently playing with a gun when it discharged at 3 p.m., striking him in the thumb. He was taken to the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, where he was treated and released. It is unclear how the boy got ahold of the weapon. METRO

In the news

SEPTA rescue

A convoy of 31 SEPTA buses departed Conshohocken yesterday to serve as "loaners" for the embattled N.J. Transit system, which was hard-hit by Hurricane Sandy, leading to statewide service suspensions. Thirty of the buses will be used to help the Jersey's remaining operable vehicles shuttle riders between New Jersey and New York City. METRO

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Opinion

JOHN BOLARIS
BOLARIS VISION

'WEATHER' YOU LIKE IT OR NOT, BOLARIS IS BACK

Hello Metro world, it's John Bolaris. I've been through ... some difficulties ... of late and was even thrown out of your living rooms, but I'm back. Weather is my passion and I love Philadelphia. I've been forecasting here since 1990, with a brief five years in New York. Life's challenges can hit us when we least expect them to. In an instant, a misjudgment can change our lives forever.

Personally, I believe we need to draw from these experiences and move forward armed with knowledge and inner strength. As quoted by the Reverend Jesse Jackson at Joe Frazier's funeral, "Everyone in life gets knocked to the canvas. It's the ones that get back up that are the true champions." William Shakespeare said in King Lear, "Such sheets of fire, such bursts of horrific thunder, such groans of roaring wind and rain, I never remember to have heard man's nature cannot carry the affection nor the fear." So should we fear the long-range forecast? The winter forecast is always a tough call. However, this winter season is as difficult as they come. We're missing our star player El Niño, which is a measure of the sea surface temperature of the tropical eastern Pacific Ocean (warming known as El Niño, cooling known as La Niña). This season, we've got literally nada: stuck in a neutral position called "La Nada." A strong El Niño or La Niña is a major weather mechanism driving force for our winter. Since both conditions are missing for now, the atmosphere is up for grabs. But without your driving force, it turns into a season of uncertainty.

The other key weather maker I refer to often is "NAO," which is the North Atlantic Oscillation. This either supplies the East Coast with cold and snow or keeps us milder and storm-free. Here's what you need to know: If the NAO is in a negative phase, then be scared, as the negative phase is the one that brings us those full-blown nor'easters, or at least a much better potential. If NAO is positive, there's a much lower chance of snow. The major problem with the NAO is the inability to forecast what phase it's going to be in beyond two or three weeks. This can blow up anyone's winter forecast in a heartbeat.

Quoted

"Last winter's walk in the park will not happen this year."

Last year's walk in the park won't happen this year. It's going to be a typical Philly winter. Big coastal storms will make a mark with a 75 percent chance of getting at least one snowstorm of six inches of snow or more. Temperatures should be the coldest during the first half of the winter season, with moderating temperatures by mid-February. As for snow totals, I'm forecasting between 20 and 25 inches of snow. Be warned: We are in a extreme weather phase, perhaps related to global warming. The possibility of megastorms have been ongoing since the early 1990s: the kind of storms that will continue to reshape our coastlines and, on rare occasions, leave an entire winter's worth of snow in 24 hours.

*— **John Bolaris**, one of Philly's best-known news personalities, will appear every Monday. He'll give advice on life, weather and any topic in between. So let's start the dialogue. Email John at letters@metro.us*

Readers, talk to me

I'm sure to bump into you around town on the streets, in the stadiums, at your local pub or even back in your living rooms.

I've long sought to help people and this space in Metro, once a week, will allow me to keep doing that. I'm going to continue to give you a look ahead — because that's what I did every night five days a week for years and you can still catch me on the Preston and Steve Show, but this column is also going to be fun and helpful.

I hope to get your feedback. I hope to get your questions. Till next Monday!

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▶ Don't expect to leave your snow shovel in the garage like you did during last winter. Bolaris is predicting between 20 and 25 inches of snow this season.

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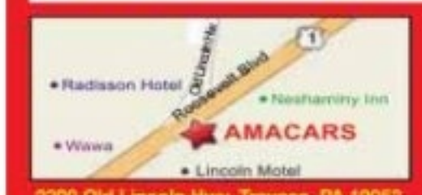

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Gas rationing in NJ adds to state's woes

Miles-long lines for gasoline were commonplace this weekend, even after New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie ordered odd-even rationing at the filling stations that weren't closed by power outages.

Only 30 percent of stations are operating north of Interstate 195, which runs through the center of the state, while 95 percent of those south of that road are open, Christie said.

But other options for commuting to work this morning were available once again, like New Jersey Transit bus service, which was back to 90 percent restored, he said.

Many of the state's school districts were closed all last week because of storm damage. Of 589 districts, 252 will be open today, a number that Christie expects will increase.

Atlantic City, the nation's second-largest gambling market, reopened casinos Nov. 2.

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▶ Limits on gas have been imposed.

Power remained out in sections of the city while gas stations struggled to resume normal operations. On barrier islands along New Jersey's coast, towns were still days and weeks away from being safe enough to walk and drive through. In one Ocean County hamlet called Mantoloking, more than half of the houses were destroyed.

"Between Bay Head and Island Beach State Park, it will be some time before it's safe to walk around there," Christie said. **BLOOMBERG**

A.C. turns its lights back on

- Electricity was restored at the Atlantic City's upscale Tanger Outlets mall, where shoppers visited stores like The Children's Place, Reebok and Starbucks.
- Advertisements flashed on a jumbotron in front of Caesars casino, including one for "Wet 'N' Wild Wednesdays" and another with the message: "Nice Try Sandy ... But We're Jersey Strong."

Charity. Building climb

▶ When asked what he thought after stepping off the ledge, Nutter, pictured, said, "Wow, I just stepped off the ledge of a 22-story building."

RIKARD LARMA/METRO

Mayor turned superhero? Nope

A normal day for Mayor Michael Nutter generally consists of meetings with government officials, press conferences and public events. Friday was anything but normal. Nutter helped to raise money for charity by rappelling down the 22-story 1515 Market St. METRO

Scramble to open polling places for Election Day begins

PENNSYLVANIA. Officials in New York, New Jersey and other states hit hard by the powerful storm Sandy are anxiously waiting to see when power will be restored in darkened areas and whether polling sites may need to be moved for Tuesday's presidential election.

Where will voters go to cast their ballots, particularly in parts of New York City and New Jersey that remain crippled from Sandy?

In Pennsylvania, where hundreds of thousands of people remained without power, utility companies hope to get the electricity back for Election Day.

"I don't want to be overly optimistic but I do think we'll be close to having all of our polling places up and running by Election Day," said Frank Custer, a Montgomery County spokesman. **REUTERS**

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In the news

Northeast power outages fall below 2 million

NEW YORK. The number of homes and businesses still without power a week after Hurricane Sandy fell to 1.9 million yesterday morning, down from 2.5 million the previous afternoon, although a quarter of New Jersey and almost a tenth of New York remained in the dark, the Department of Energy said.

At its peak, more than 8.5 million customers were without power. **REUTERS**

Cold hits storm victims ahead of Election Day

A housing crisis loomed in New York City as victims of superstorm Sandy struggled yesterday against near-freezing temperatures and officials fretted that displaced voters would not be able to cast ballots in tomorrow's presidential election.

Fuel shortages and power outages lingered nearly a week after one of the worst storms in U.S. history flooded homes in coastal neighborhoods, leaving many without heat and in need of shelter.

"People are in homes that are uninhabitable," New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo said alongside Mayor Michael Bloomberg at a news conference. "People don't like to leave their home, but the reality is going to be in the temperature."

Officials were figuring out how to provide short- and long-term housing for tens of thousands of people, Cuomo said, without giving details about where the displaced would be housed.

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▶ Kathy Lahey sifts through the remains of her home yesterday in the Breezy Point neighborhood in Queens.

An early-season "Nor'easter" storm was expected to hit the battered New England coast this week with strong winds and heavy rain.

Fuel supplies continued to rumble toward disaster zones and electricity was slowly returning to darkened neighborhoods, after the storm hit the coast last Monday.

It would be days before power is fully restored and fuel shortages end, Bloomberg said. Cuomo said fuel shortages are improving but problems will persist for "a number of days." **REUTERS**

40K

Mayor Michael Bloomberg said 30,000 to 40,000 people in New York City alone would need housing.

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Deaths overall, at least, in the U.S. from super storm Sandy. Two more bodies were found in New Jersey yesterday.

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Was the temperature early yesterday morning in New York City

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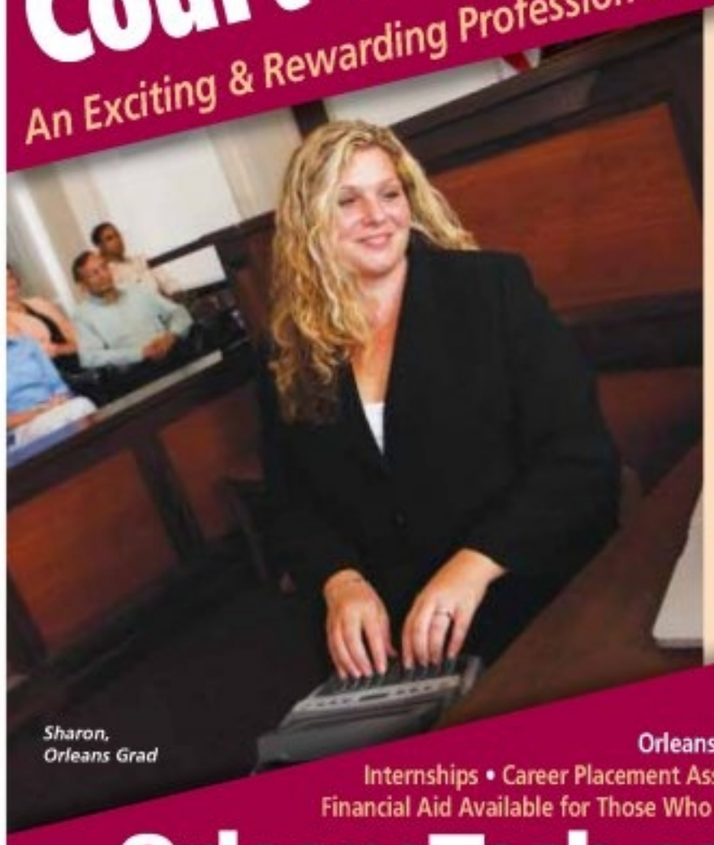

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Mail-in ballot woes

Hanging chads of Election 2012?

Sloppy signatures on mail-in ballots might prove to be this year's hanging chads.

As Republicans and Democrats raise alarms about potential voter fraud and voter suppression, mail-in ballots have boomed as an uncontroversial form of convenient, inexpensive voting.

In the critical swing states of Ohio and Florida, more than a fifth of voters chose the mail-in option 2010. In Colorado, the number was nearly two-thirds. But there may be controversy to come. For a variety of reasons, mail-in ballots are much more likely to be rejected than conventional, in-person votes. With the razor-close presidential election tomorrow riding on a few tens of thousands of votes in a handful of states, the election could be decided by election officials' judgments about mail-in ballot signatures. **REUTERS**

Romney, Obama in dead heat two days before the election

The race between President Barack Obama and Republican challenger Mitt Romney remained in a dead heat ahead of tomorrow's election, according to a Reuters/Ipsos daily tracking poll released yesterday.

Of 3,805 likely voters polled nationally, 48 percent said they would vote for Democrat Obama, while 47 percent sided with Romney, a former Massachusetts governor, the poll showed. The results fall within the poll's credibility interval.

Obama and Romney have been locked in a neck-and-neck race for weeks. Over the weekend, both were making final appearances in a few crucial states, hoping to sway a shrinking number of undecided voters and to encourage their supporters to get to the polls. **REUTERS**

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▶ Obama does some last-minute campaigning.

"I don't think we can count any of them in the bag yet. The electoral map does favor Obama. It's just so on a razor's edge."
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PERSONALITY what participants think
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Ohio rejected more than 14,000 mail-in ballots in 2010, or 1.7 percent of those sent in domestically, and Florida rejected close to 18,000, or 1.4 percent, according to the Electoral Assistance Commission survey.

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Neither candidate holds a significant edge in the four battleground states. Obama is ahead by one point in Colorado three points in Virginia. Romney is up by two points in Colorado. They are tied in Florida. **REUTERS**

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THERE'S NO WHERE TO HIDE FROM US POLITICS AS USUAL

It's not every day that a four-year-old girl from Fort Collins, Colo., manages to articulate what every other American is thinking. But that is exactly what happened last week when a YouTube video captured Abigael Evans telling her mother she was crying "because I'm tired of Bronco Bama and Mitt Romney."

We all are, sweetie. "It'll be over soon, Abby," her mother replies. "The election will be over soon," Which is exactly what you'd expect a comforting mother to say. Problem is, if Obama wins next Tuesday, it won't be over.

Sure, there will be a pause if Obama does manage to become the first president in U.S. history to win re-election by a smaller margin in his second election than in his first. But the pause will be brief. That's because there are a slew of major policy changes set to occur Jan. 1 that almost everybody believes would lead to economic catastrophe, should they occur on schedule.

Taxes are set to go up on Americans at all income levels by almost $500 billion. A swift $60 billion cut in defense spending will cost thousands of jobs. Cuts to doctors' Medicare reimbursement payments will make it much harder for those enrolled in the program to get physicians to see them.

Keep in mind that Obama either created, or signed extension for, every single one of the expiring policies that comprise this "fiscal cliff." It is an impending economic and political disaster of his own creation.

After Obama tried to disown the spending cuts during his final debate with Mitt Romney, the Washington Post's Bob Woodward gently reminded him that the policy came from his own White House. "It's a complicated process — and in fairness to the president — maybe he didn't know that they were doing this because it's kind of technical budget jargon," Woodward told Politico. "What I've reported is totally accurate."

So how will the "fiscal cliff" be solved if Obama wins? No one knows. Obama will try and claim the American people gave him a mandate for his preferred policies. But if the Republicans maintain control of the House, as almost everyone expects them to do, they will have just as strong a mandate for their preferred policies. The election will have settled nothing. The never-ending campaign will immediately begin again.

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It is no accident that Obama's drive to expand the size and scope of government has led to a never-ending political campaign. If everything is political, everything is part of a campaign. Just look at Obama's signature domestic accomplishment: Obamacare. Did Americans really care what kind of birth control their employers did or did not pay for four years ago? Of course not. Now, not only is it a major part of Obama's stump speech, but it will continue to be an issue in the courts even if Obama wins. When the federal government controls everything that every health insurance company must pay for, then everything that health insurance companies do (and do not) pay for becomes political. Birth control is just the beginning.

This logic extends far beyond health care. What types of energy should we invest in? How should we run our schools? Which transportation projects should we invest in? These are questions that used to be answered either in the private sector or at the state and local levels. Obama has made them all partisan federal government issues. You're either with him or against him on every single one.

Back in 2008, Michelle Obama famously said, "Barack Obama will require you to work. ... Barack will never allow you to go back to your lives as usual, uninvolved, uninformed." She was right. Obama's vision for an activist federal government will not let you rest. It will not let you ever escape politics.

Please Michelle, stop forcing us to campaign for, or against, your husband. Let us, and Abigael get back to our lives as usual.

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THE WORD

Metro's **Monica Weymouth** shares her take on the world of gossip @monicaatmetro monica.weymouth@metro.us

– Dorothy Robinson will return on Tuesday.

This week, celebrities care about the world

▶ Will Ferrell has offered to help you move your couch if you vote.

It's going to be a historically quiet week for gossip, kids.

Between the icecaps melting all over the East Coast and the election, no celeb worth their Botox is going to announce a divorce, weight-loss secret, scandalous pregnancy or rehab vacation for at least a week. **Kim Kardashian** tested the waters on Saturday by taking a little bra-less stroll in Miami, but mostly, the rich and famous will have their humanitarian game faces on until further notice.

On the fundraising front, Friday night's super star-studded Hurricane Sandy fundraiser raked in more than $23 million for relief efforts, reports NBCUniversal. Not bad at all, even when you account for additional damage caused by the **Jimmy Fallon** and **Steven Tyler** "Under the Boardwalk" duet.

▶ Break out your Sharpies, friends: This guy needs a hat.

As for democracy cheerleading, **Will Ferrell** has released a video message for the Obama campaign encouraging us to vote. As we are a lazy, apathetic people who would just as soon sleep in and watch "Kathie Lee & Hoda" on Tuesday morning, Ferrell has promised to reward good citizens with home-cooked meals, amateur tattoos and private dance sessions.

We here at The Word would also like you to vote (for real — we're OK people off the clock). Do your civic duty, and we'll replace every **Lohan** item this week with a picture of baby hedgehogs in party hats.

2012 is living up to its rep

One upside to not having power over the weekend: You mercifully missed **Kate Gosselin**'s Twitter feed. Gosselin is using the site to complain about ex-husband **Jon**, who has been allowing their plus-8 kiddos to cuddle with his new girlfriend's pit bull.

Between her musings on fame, fat-free Triscuits, coupons and smiling, Kate's been busy re-tweeting warnings from fans about the "dangerous" breed, which has been known to exploit young defenseless children for fame, money and free plastic surgery. Or was that humans? Either way — there are things to be afraid of out there, people.

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▶ We actually prefer the meat get-up to this Miller Lite bikini.

Not cool, Gaga

Lady Gaga has dropped the weight she recently put on, but she's still not sure why anyone cared. "I thought, well I don't really care if they think I'm fat because, quite honestly, I did gain about 30 pounds," Gaga tells Stylist UK in an interview. "**Adele** is bigger than me. How come nobody says anything about it?"

Let us explain, Lady: It's mostly because the incredibly classy, talented and beautiful Adele didn't make a name for herself wearing meat lingerie.

The feed ...

▶ Checking in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.

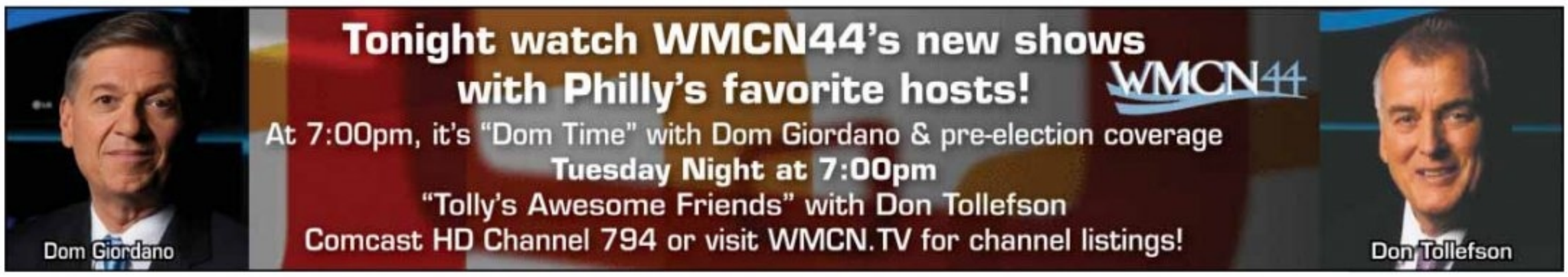
@jimmykimmel: The SkyMall catalogue has gotten so commercialized

@prattprattpratt (Chris Pratt): Haiku of the day: Jack Daniel's Whiskey. Jack. I love you, Jack. I got your back, Mr. Jack. Forever my boy.

@SteveMartinToGo: I stand by my original apology.

@JohnStamos: i go to tweet something but it all seems so frivolous (even more than usual) when reading about the heartbreaking devastation of #Sandy

@pattonoswalt: I've never gotten over my crush on the charging-towards-the-camera blonde nurse in the opening credits of M*A*S*H.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Weekend celeb update

1. After a delay due to Sandy, Brooklyn's new Barclay's Center was host to the Toronto Raptors and the Brooklyn Nets on Saturday. Power couple and Brooklyn land barons **Jay-Z** and **Beyonce** put their hands up in the air.

2. While Bee and Hova left Blue Ivy at home, **Alicia Keys** and partner **Swizz Beatz** had their little one, Egypt Dean, in tow on Friday at the New York Knicks game.

3. A comedian abroad: **Ricky Gervais** and his partner **Jane Fallon** were snapped strolling in Manhattan on Friday.

4. Two extras from "Pirates of the Caribbean," otherwise known as **Steven Tyler** and **Joe Perry** of Aerosmith, mugged for the camera while performing on "The Today Show" on Friday.

5. David Hasselhoff and his girlfriend **Hayley Roberts** took a stroll in L.A. on Friday.

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'Wreck-it Ralph' crushes competition

"Wreck-It Ralph," Disney's animated film about a video game character who destroys everything in his path, made history after grossing $49.1 million in ticket sales to lead the weekend box office, the highest-grossing opening weekend in Disney animation history.

The tally for "Wreck-It-Ralph," which features the voices of John C. Reilly and Jane Lynch, hammered the Denzel Washington film "Flight," which generated ticket sales of $25 million at U.S. and Canadian theaters, according to studio estimates.

The critically acclaimed Iran hostage thriller "Argo," last week's box office leader, was third, generating $10.2 million in sales. Directed by and starring Ben Affleck, "Argo" has totaled $75.9 million in its three weeks in movie theaters. REUTERS

Box office

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▶ Sarah Silverman voices Vanellope von Schweetz in "Wreck-It Ralph."

Top 5 movies

1. **"Wreck-it Ralph,"** $49.1 million
2. **"Flight,"** $25 million
3. **"Argo,"** $10.2 million
4. **"The Man with the Iron Fists,"** $8.2 million
5. **"Taken 2,"** $6 million

TV watch list

'Anthony Bourdain: No Reservations'

REALITY. Host Anthony Bourdain was always as hungry for learning how a culture lives, works and finds happiness as he was interested in sampling the local delicacies. The Manhattan-based chef brings it all home for his final episode, traveling across the river to Brooklyn to document the old and the new comingling deliciously in the borough. **Series finale, 9 p.m., Travel Channel**

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Jersey girls, armed and dangerous

Azuka Theatre's season opener, 'Pookie Goes Grenading,' lets loose with a story set across the river

JOHANNA AUSTIN

▶ Mary Tuomanen stars in Azuka Theatre's "Pookie Goes Grenading."

Recognizing a "wild, uncontainable energy" in an actress friend that none of her roles seemed to tap into, playwright JC Lee wrote her an audition monologue in the voice of an outlandishly imaginative 14-year-old Camden girl. "People kept asking if they could read the whole play," Lee recalls. "So I thought I should probably write a whole play instead of lying to people."

That monologue is now the opening scene of "Pookie Goes Grenading," which follows Pookie and a band of misfit friends as they set out, armed with explosives, to create their own epic play. "Pookie" will have its premiere as the season opener for Azuka Theatre, which Lee found to be a perfect fit. "They're a little wild and weird and zany and kooky too," he says.

"I have a personal aversion to work that takes itself too seriously, and I think 'Pookie' is a reaction to that." LEE

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The piece was inspired in part by the fact that Lee, a New York native who spent summers in Jersey, was growing tired of highbrow experimental theater. "There's some fantastic theater out here," he says. "But there's also a lot of really bad pseudo-intellectual, abstracted theater that was making me crazy. I have a personal aversion to work that takes itself too seriously, and I think 'Pookie' is a reaction to that."

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You may take some comfort in knowing that your feelings are a natural and understandable response to sudden death. Not only is your illusion of trust in the universe shattered, but also your nervous system hasn't had time to digest the death. This can compromise your coping mechanisms, affecting everything from sleep to appetite. To put it simply, you're in shock.

While eight weeks of feeling miserable may feel like a lifetime, the loss is still fairly fresh. Most people can expect to cycle through several of the stages of grief — denial, sadness, anger, bargaining and acceptance — for at least a year, with symptoms subsiding but lingering much longer. However, those bereaving a sudden loss may feel the pain more acutely and for a longer duration than those who had an opportunity to prepare and say a proper goodbye.

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The question:

About eight weeks ago, I brought my wife to an emergency room. Five days later, she passed away. I'm still severely upset. I've lost my appetite and sleep. I'm constantly nervous. I have no family left and most of my friends are busy. I need support and advice to make it through my depression. Any suggestions?

Whether or not you're clinically depressed is actually a subject of public debate. While bereavement has historically been excluded from the diagnosis of Major Depressive Disorder, the most recent draft of the new Diagnostic and Statistics Manual (DSM)-V (the bible of the mental health profession) allows a depressive episode to be diagnosed two weeks after a death. The change is fairly controversial, as many believe that a natural passage of life should not be pathologized.

Regardless of what you call it, there are some things you can do to begin healing:

1 Give yourself permission to grieve. While some people (men especially) may feel the need to put on a brave face, grief is not an emotion that stays repressed for long. Better to grieve now in proximity to the actual loss than years later when it can complicate other aspects of your life and compound the pain of subsequent losses.

2 Attend a bereavement group. Seeking support from others who understand what you're going through can be very comforting, reminding you that you're not alone. You might find such groups through a hospice, religious organization or a community social service agency.

3 Consult a bereavement counselor who can listen, monitor your moods, determine whether you're at risk for depression and potentially refer you to a psychiatrist if medication is necessary.

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Wage theft is common for low-wage workers How employers steal, and what employees can do about it

Kim Bobo founded Interfaith Worker Justice in 1996, a Chicago-based non-profit devoted to advancing employee rights. Her 2008 book, "Wage Theft in America: Why Millions of Working Americans Are Not Getting Paid — And What We Can Do About It," is, unfortunately, still plenty relevant today. We chatted with her about the most common employer abuses and most effective remedies.

How often does wage theft occur?

The largest surveys that have ever been done were coordinated by the National Employment Law Project. They showed that about a quarter of low-wage workers were not paid minimum wage. About 75 percent of those who worked overtime were not paid properly. The average low-wage worker looses $2,600 per year in unpaid wages. It's pretty staggering.

What are the most common ways employers steal money?

Not paying minimum wage or overtime are biggies. Employers often don't pay ex-employees their last check. That's blatantly illegal. Another big one is calling an employee an independent contractor, thus not paying the employer side of payroll taxes, workers comp, etc. There are legitimate independent contractors, but if your employer was the one that decided you were one, you're not.

Do workers typically know this is happening to them?

A lot of people don't know they are being cheated on overtime. If you earn below a certain amount annually, you must receive time-and-a-half after 40 hours, regardless of your title.

When the law is "employment at will," what can you do?

At-will employers still have to obey the law. If you find yourself in a situation where you think you are not being paid fairly, you need to try to change it. If you have a nice employer, you can talk to them. But that's often not the case. You can go to the state department of labor: Massachusetts, New York and Pennsylvania all have pretty good state laws on this issue. You can go to the federal Department of Labor for minimum wage and overtime. You can also discuss this with coworkers. If 20 of you have a problem, an attorney could be attracted to that.

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Advice

▶ Gossiping about coworkers will come back to haunt you.

Putting a stop to the workplace rumor mill

When you're a professional adult, it's hard to believe you could be prey to petty rumors — but it happens in offices as often as high schools. The best thing to do when coworkers are gossiping is too understand how to diffuse the situation, because a slap fight just isn't an option at work.

Keep it professional

You can't always stop people from spreading rumors about you, but you can avoid it by not giving coworkers something to talk about. "Some people make themselves targets for gossip by over-sharing personal information in the workplace," says Lynne Sarikas, executive director of Northeastern University's MBA Career Center. "Don't complain when rumors are circulating about your wild social life if you regularly come in on Monday morning with tales of your weekend antics."

Get at the heart of it

Chances are you have a good idea of who's responsible for dragging your name through the mud. Author and relationship expert April Masini of AskApril.com suggests confronting them, then going for the kill with kindness. "Focus on the rumor mill generators — it's usually two or three water cooler rats who love to stir the pot — and invite them to lunch, your treat. One at a time. Keep your friends close, and your enemies closer."

Don't participate

Gossip karma is real. "If you are with a group of colleagues that start gossiping about a co-worker, do not participate," advises Amanda Augustine, a job search expert at TheLadders. "Walk away from the situation or better yet, put the [gossiper] on the spot and nip [the rumor] in the bud."

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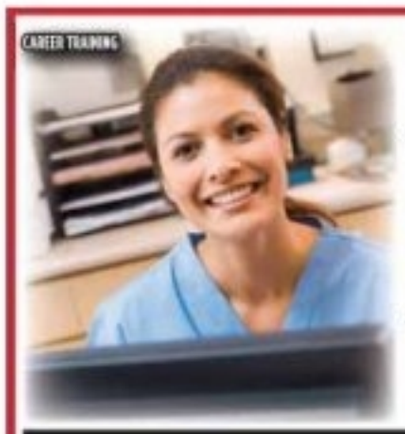

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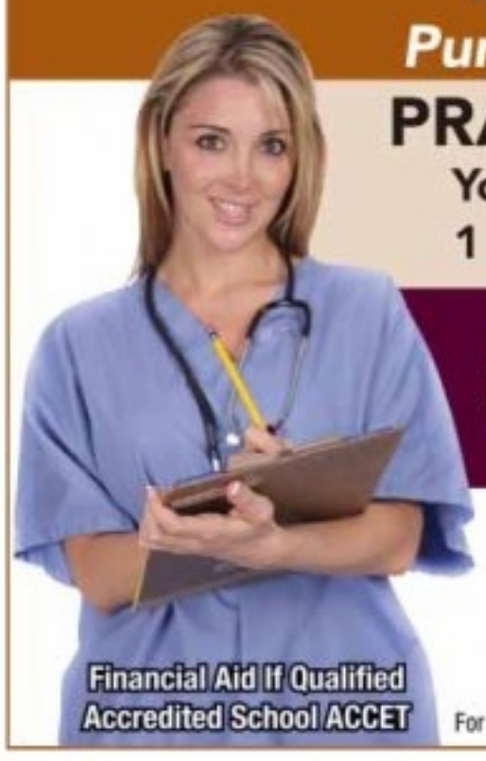

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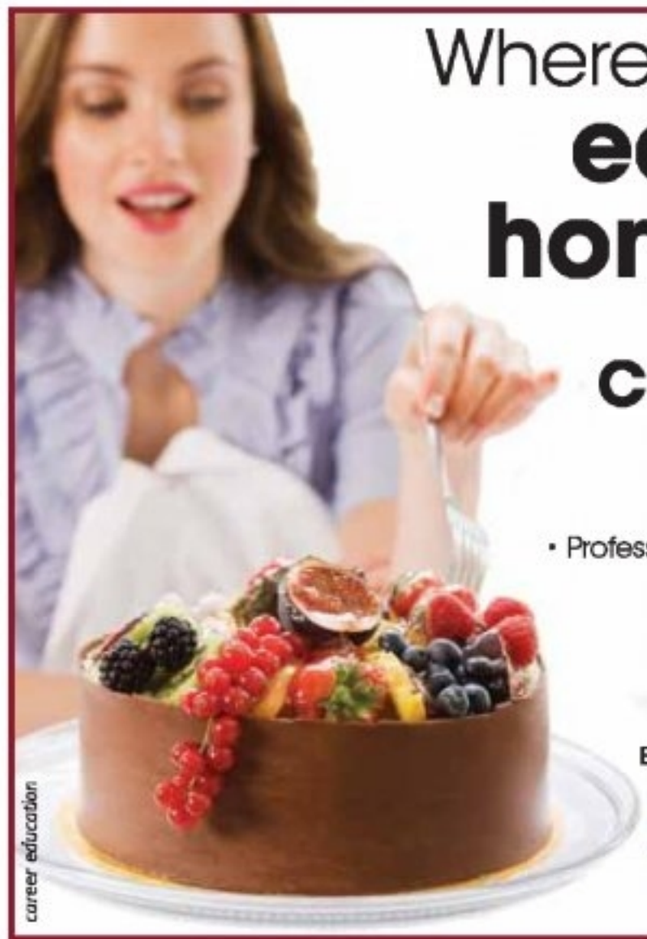

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Trends in education

Cooking up a culinary career

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These days, everyone's a foodie. But if you're looking to work in the restaurant business — especially behind the line — it's going to take more than an Instagram feed of your picture-perfect plates.

Established chefs will advise you to spend some time really thinking about this career choice and getting your hands dirty in kitchens. While a culinary degree certainly isn't necessary to be a top chef, it can be helpful. "Culinary education builds a foundation of skills that you otherwise may never acquire. It also teaches discipline and respect — two things that are key to any chef's success," says Larry Leibowitz, director of culinary operations at Guckenheimer.

School also provides the opportunity to learn in slower-paced kitchens. "Culinary school was a vital part of my education," says Simone Apostoli, chef at The Bowery Kitchen in New York City. "You also learn as much, if not more, by surrounding yourself with successful chefs, being a sponge for knowledge and also through real life applications."

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If you do decide to enroll, make sure that the school you choose is keeping up-to-date with the latest trends, something that's essential in the industry. Chef Francesco Martorella teaches culinary skills at Star Career Academy. "We offer a modern syllabus to give students a versatile learning experience," he says. "The students have improved with all the exposure of [Food Network], the Internet and the popularity of being a chef."

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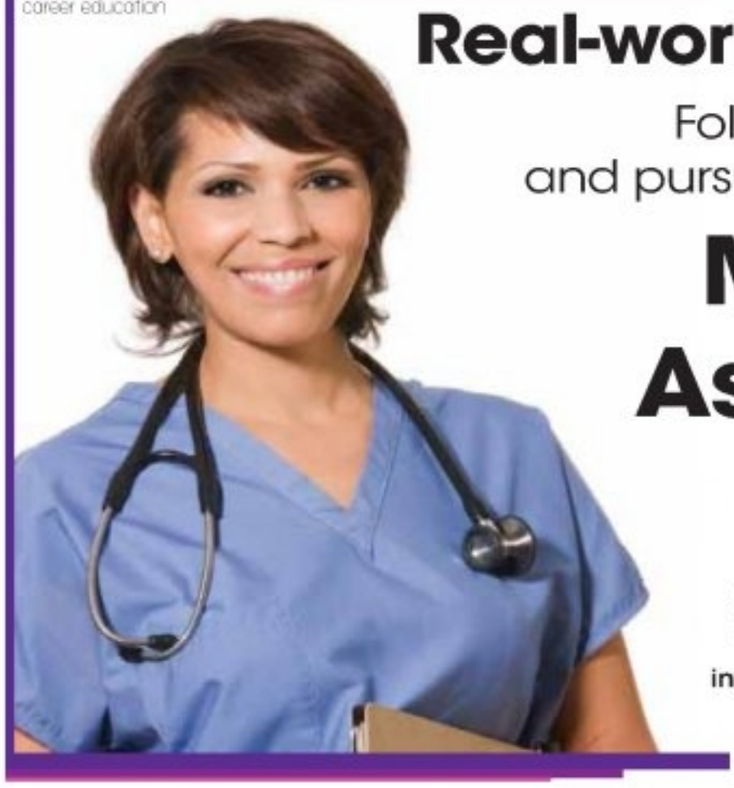

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In the news

Young adults friending bosses on Facebook

One in four young adults between the ages of 18 and 25 are friends with their bosses on Facebook, a new study suggests.

A survey by security protection company AVG — which was conducted among 4,400 consumers in 11 countries —

found young adults in the U.S. and Italy were most likely (both 33 percent) to friend bosses on the social network. Meanwhile, Facebook users in France were least likely to friend their bosses.

The study also revealed that 60 percent of Facebook users in the 18-25 age range who are Facebook friends with colleagues do not restrict any content from them. "Our research show that a good percentage of young adults do not filter personal or professional data or pictures that are posted online," AVG's Senior Security Evangelist Tony Anscombe told Mashable. "They need to pay closer attention to how they interact with their bosses, colleagues and friends via social channels, and ensure they don't negatively impact their future."

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Even devastation can't make us come together anymore

Y'know, with all the political discussions on Facebook and other media, everyone is so partisan — including me. Nearly everyone spins every fact or near-fact to support their guy or gal and to lambast the other guy.

Even over Hurricane Sandy, which you think would cause us to put all our differences aside to work together, different people treat both Barack Obama's tour of New Jersey and Mitt Romney's helping to gather supplies in Ohio as mere photo ops. Someone even said that Chris Christie's praise for Obama during this crisis is only a Republican being forced to accept the help that Obama has been offering for years. People, people — and I include myself in this — can't we get above all this? Support whom you want, but let's treat the other guy with some respect.

MELANIE N. LEE, VIA E-MAIL

It's time to share the wealth

RE: "BAILOUTS BOUGH US TIME" (METRO, NOV. 1) Column writer Michael J. Frosch claims that Mitt Romney had actually wanted a managed auto industry bankruptcy so that pay and benefits to auto workers could be reduced. Romney's Nov. 18, 2008, New York Times op-ed "Let Detroit Go Bankrupt" confirms that Frosch is partly right.

Tragically, Romney feels justified in calling for sacrifice by auto workers while he and auto executives make millions. The notion that great income differences benefit the nation is highly implausible, a myth that Republicans promote, for which millionaires and billionaires reward them with large campaign contributions.

ROSALIE ANDERS, VIA E-MAIL

Taxpayers fund heroes, too

For those with anti-government employee sentiments, I'd like to focus readers on the heroism exhibited by a Coast Guard helicopter rescue team that braved Hurricane Sandy off of the treacherous North Carolina coast to rescue 13 of sixteen crew members of the replica ship, HMS Bounty.

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AJ CASTILLA, VIA E-MAIL

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Horoscope

♏ Scorpio **Oct. 24-Nov. 22.** An important objective can be achieved, but not necessarily in accordance with your original game plan. Be ready to make on-the-spot adjustments.

♐ Sagittarius **Nov. 23-Dec. 21.** Don't allow your pride to cause you to cling to something that you would be better off renouncing. You need to be think about replacing unproductive concepts with effective ones.

♑ Capricorn **Dec. 22-Jan. 19.** You'll have a difficult time keeping your priorities in order if you start to place greater emphasis on meaningless projects than you do on your serious ones.

♒ Aquarius **Jan. 20-Feb. 19.** Accumulated stress weighing on important relationships can be alleviated if you're more tolerant in your thinking.

♓ Pisces **Feb. 20-March 20.** Don't think the numerous assignments that you have to contend with need to be done all at once. The quickest way to accomplish things is to rank them in a prioritized list.

♈ Aries **March 21-April 19.** Someone who is only looking out for his or her own affairs might try to entice you into an involvement that wouldn't serve your best interests at all. Be firm about declining.

♉ Taurus **April 20-May 20.** It's important to be extremely firm about your position when trying to smooth over a domestic disagreement. Don't point fingers at anyone.

♊ Gemini **May 21-June 20.** Your chances for achieving success will be considerably enhanced if you're open-minded about altering your thoughts and/or tactics when given a good argument.

♋ Cancer **June 21-July 22.** Certain adjustments can be made pertaining to a situation that has not worked out too well for you financially. If you employ your ingenuity, you can recover more than you thought.

♌ Leo **July 23-Aug. 22.** What you can't do with your muscles, you should be able to do with your brain. Instead of trying to bully your way through obstacles, use your smarts to think around them.

♍ Virgo **Aug. 23-Sept. 22.** Because your first assessments are likely to be far too negative, none of them will serve your best interests. After you've taken time to study the situation, an alternative will be evident.

♎ Libra **Sept. 23-Oct. 23.** Do not let your emotions override your excellent reasoning. This becomes especially important if there's a chance that you'll be doing something constructive with someone you dislike.

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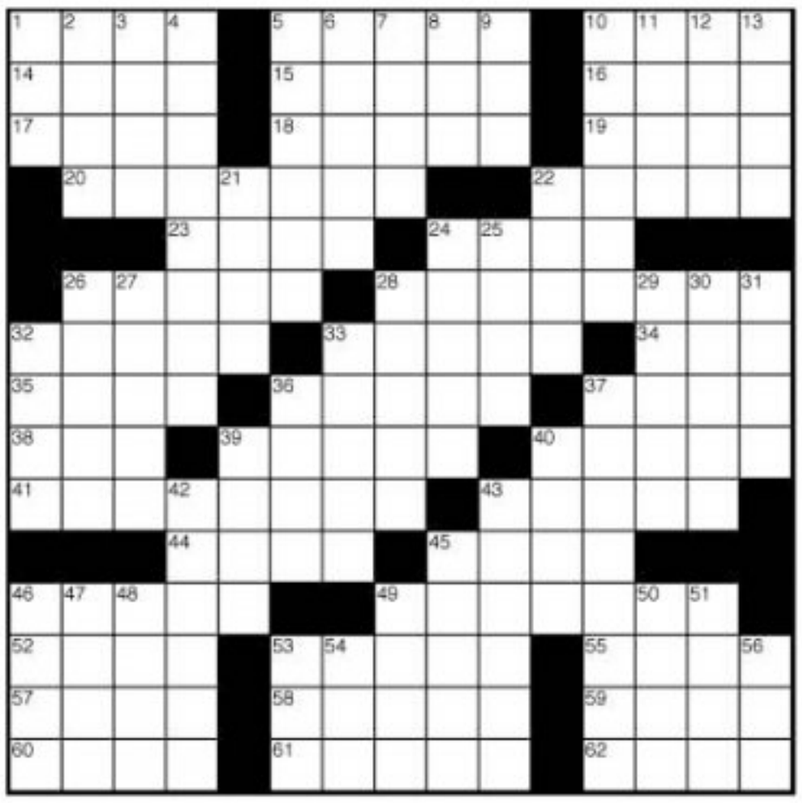

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See you at the crossroads: Eagles on very high alert

◗ Stakes higher as Birds look to end three-game slide ◗ Jobs, careers all on the line tonight in New Orleans ◗ Will Vick and Reid be here next season? ◗ Can O-line protect the quarterback? ◗ Time's yours, Andy

Mike Vick's contract is constructed so that the Eagles can cut ties with him after this season. Andy Reid has one year remaining on his deal, but he has never entered a season as a lame-duck coach. If this continues to spiral out of control, the Eagles will almost certainly give him his walking papers.

So, here we are ... it's Week 8, Eagles vs. Saints — and everything matters. Reid publicly committed to Vick for the remainder of the season last week, saying that Vick "was, is and will continue to be" the starter. However, with both men's futures on the line, it's not hard to imagine a change of heart — even from the ultra-loyal Reid. Remember, he recently dismissed his close friend Juan Castillo as defensive coordinator. That swift move put everyone on alert.

"It's important that I get my job going in the right direction and making sure that we win football games and that I coach to win football games," Reid said last week. "I'm not doing a good enough job of that and that's shown over the last three weeks here."

▶ Andy Reid and Mike Vick need a win in New Orleans to save the season — and possibly both their jobs. Jeffrey Lurie has said repeatedly that 8-8 is not good enough.

The Eagles have endured a three-game losing streak, filled with questions on Vick's job security. Once Reid confirmed Vick's status, then the quarterback made a promise to get his "swag" back. He's going to play his brand of football, a version that can sometimes be described as reckless.

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"I think I've got to play my style of football [and] at the same time, still take care of the football and not be reckless with it," Vick said. "Be aggressive; the way we played last week, we've got to be us. We've got a personality as a football team and we've got to let it show."

If that personality doesn't change starting tonight in New Orleans, expect more changes. Everyone, including Vick, is still on alert.

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Three things we're watching

There's plenty to keep an eye on tonight in New Orleans. Here's our list ...

1. **The boys up front.** The offensive line is a mess. With Danny Watkins out, they'll start three fill-in players (King Dunlap, Dallas Reynolds, Dennis Kelly). The team pumped in crowd noise at practice twice this past week to get ready for the Superdome.

2. **Finding his swag.** Mike Vick has talked about going back to a more reckless style, relying more on his feet and instincts. This is when he's at his best athletically, but it can also lead to turnovers if he's not careful.

3. **Get a sack.** The Eagles recorded two sacks last week (first since Week 3), but don't be fooled. Both were gift-wrapped, with Matt Ryan falling down on the first one. Trent Cole and Jason Babin need to assert their authority.

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Welcome back: Patterson spins heartwarming tale

Win or lose, Mike Patterson will be the most heartwarming storyline for the Eagles this week. The jovial defensive tackle hasn't played in a football game since last January and underwent brain surgery this past offseason.

He's been following his doctor's orders and working hard to get back out there. That dedication will pay off tonight after he was added to the 53-man roster over the weekend. Andy Reid said he would monitor Patterson's snaps closely.

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▶ Patterson

"I'm going to try to do my best," Patterson said Saturday. "If the play comes my way or if I get a chance to make a play, I'm most definitely going to give it my all."

Patterson's biggest strength is in run defense, so don't look for that pass-rushing spark the Eagles need. Still, Patterson is an eight-year veteran whose voice carries a lot of weight in the huddle.

"I'm really anxious," he said. "I'm, more than anything, just excited to be back out there. It's a fun game."

When asked if he could provide some extra leadership, Patterson smiled, "We'll see. I'm just trying to get out there."

Reid sounded optimistic that he would be. He returned to practice on Oct. 22.

"He did a good job," Reid said Saturday. "He moved around well and there were no symptoms [from the] surgery he had with his head and brain." METRO/MG

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Rising star: Advice for Gabby Douglas

Gabby Douglas was the story of the 2012 London Games. The 16-year-old won two gold medals, including the all-around.

Since then, Douglas has befriended Michelle Obama, landed an ad campaign for nail polish and done the TV circuit.

"In my dreams I didn't think about how many shows I would be on and how many people would tweet me ... it's so cool!" Douglas recently told Essence magazine.

Nastia Liukin was 18 when she won gold, but she knows the transition from girl next door to celebrity is complicated. The most important thing is to stay true to yourself and enjoy it.

"Enjoy every single moment because it will go by in the blink of an eye," Liukin said.

"You don't know what's going to be thrown at you or come your way. I never really understood exactly why everyone wanted to know stuff about your personal life. Gymnastics is one of the most popular sports at the Olympic Games every four years. It's important to surround yourself with the people you really trust and care about you."

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▶ Douglas and Liukin

Douglas became the first African-American to win gold in the all-around.

Liukin has been impressed with her development and hopes it spikes interest in gymnastics within the black community.

"She proved to everybody that she's the best in the world," Liukin said. "I see her fan base coming out to a lot of shows, I definitely think so."

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Tour of Champions more than just girls in leotards

◗ Gymnastics showcase comes to town Friday ◗ Five-time medal winner previews event for Metro ◗ Talks about next chapter of personal life

Nastia Liukin has fond memories of the Wells Fargo Center. It was there, at the 2008 U.S. Olympic Team Trials, that she earned a trip to the 2008 Beijing Games. Liukin won five medals in China, including gold for the all-around.

"Philadelphia has been a good place to me," Liukin told Metro. "Good memories, I made the Olympic team there, so I'm excited to come back."

Liukin is returning Friday as one of the headliners in the Kellogg's Tour of Gymnastics Champions. The show — described as half-gymnastics, half-Cirque du Soleil — also features 2012 gold-medal winners Gabby Douglas, Jordyn Wieber, Aly Raisman, McKayla Maroney and Kyla Ross.

If you go ...

- **What:** Kellogg's Tour of Gymnastics Champions
- **Where:** Wells Fargo Center
- **When:** Friday (doors open at 6:30 p.m., show at 7:30)
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"It's definitely a little bit different than any competition you'll see on TV, it's more of a show," Liukin said. "A lot of fun music, different costumes — not just the leotards you see at the Olympics."

The last time the world saw Liukin in a leotard was at this past year's Olympic trials in San Jose, where she fell flat on her face after missing on the uneven bars. The crash ended her Olympic dream and her gymnastics career. Liukin received two standing ovations.

"I know I gave it my best effort," she said. "I finished my gymnastics career with absolutely no regrets. Two standing ovations from 20,000 people ranks right up there with my accomplishments, with winning the all-around gold medal four years ago."

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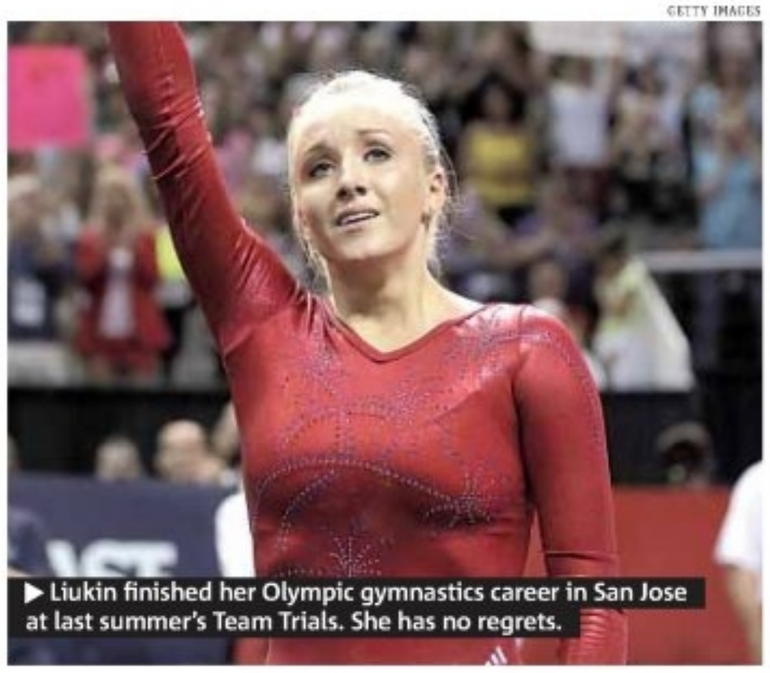

▶ Liukin finished her Olympic gymnastics career in San Jose at last summer's Team Trials. She has no regrets.

With that chapter now closed, the 23-year-old Liukin is focusing on earning a degree in sports management at New York University. Her plan is to move to New York in January, then graduate in four years. When the question of her legacy to the sport comes up, Liukin fights for the right words. She doesn't want to put herself on any pedestal.

"I don't know [what my legacy is]. I don't necessarily like to do that," Liukin said. "I guess I proved whatever I proved at that time of year, and I hope people will remember me for what I was able to bring to the sport. Remember me as trying to be unique and different and still being able to be on top."

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Sixers fall to Knicks at MSG, Bynum still missing in action

The Sixers had quite a few days off in between their first two games. The long rest after last Wednesday's opening night win didn't help them stop the Knicks.

Carmelo Anthony scored 27 points and J.R. Smith (20 points) nailed some clutch 3-pointers down the stretch to keep New York undefeated. The Knicks beat the Sixers 100-84 yesterday at Madison Square Garden.

The Sixers (1-1) got 27 points from point guard Jrue Holiday as franchise center Andrew Bynum continues to sit with a lingering knee bruise. Lavoy Allen (six points) started again in his place.

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▶ Holiday had 27 points and seven assists in yesterday's loss.

The Sixers are being patient with Bynum. Last week, the team released a statement saying, "Given the long regular season and playoffs, the team intends to act with caution as to the date of his return."

Up next for the Sixers is another game against the Knicks, this one scheduled for today (7 p.m., CSN) at the Wells Fargo Center. METRO

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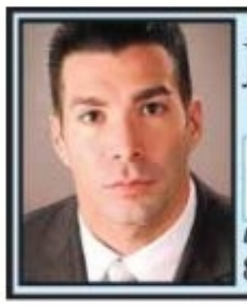

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